



To: Human Relations Commission
From: Sharon Cini, Office of Diversity and Inclusion Program Manager and City-wide ADA coordinator
Subject: Public input – DRAFT ADA (Americans with Disabilities) Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan 2019 Updates
Meeting Date: October 14, 2019

Action: Information and discussion

Purpose: Provide update to subcommittee and receive any relevant input on the city's DRAFT ADA (Americans with Disabilities) Transition Plan relating to Paths and Trails. The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) prohibits discrimination in access to jobs, public accommodations, government services, public transportation, telecommunications as well access to programs, services, and activities.

Information: The City of Scottsdale is updating our ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan. The ADA requires that government Title II entities keep their transition plans current, and periodically re-evaluate their policies, practices and facilities. The City of Scottsdale began updating their transition plan in 2001 by reviewing, inventorying, and creating data bases on those areas needing ADA alterations. As work continues, new technology, and computer programs are being incorporated into work-order systems that allow for progress to be measured, tracked, and forecasted.

The City of Scottsdale is required to undertake a comprehensive multi-year approach to re-evaluate policies, programs, and facilities to determine the level of accessibility of city services, activities and facilities for individuals with disabilities.

Update: This updated plan provides a report to show Scottsdale's progress in making its programs, services and activities inclusive and accessible for those who use them.

For example, recent trends toward more pedestrian use of public right-of-ways emphasize the need for increasing structural changes to pedestrian facilities. Such changes to sidewalks, street crossings, signals, and transit must be done in an accessible manner to the maximum extent feasible. The disability community is a significant user group of pedestrian facilities and rely on the accessible features in order to use the facilities and reach their destinations. Changes to existing public right-of-ways must be done in an accessible manner. Another example is the continued need for accessible publicly owned buildings, sites, and public right-of-ways. This includes Paths and Trails.

Next Steps: The ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan Update takes place every three years. This update is a significant step in demonstrating the city's on-going commitment policies, programs and facilities that are inclusive for all its citizens. One important step is to plan public input opportunities. For example, the city is in the process of soliciting public input via an ADA questionnaire - [2019 Current Online ADA Public Survey](#). We would love for more citizens and appointed Board members and Commissioners to complete it as well as share the information to get as much input as possible.

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